

Wycombe Wanderers 3, Tring Town 0

TONY Horseman, who left six weeks ago after half a lifetime with Wycombe Wanderers, made a nostalgic return to Loakes Park on Thursday night when his new club Tring Town came for a friendly, writes **MICHAEL KNOX**.

Unfortunately for 'Bodger', there was to be no fairy tale ending. After firing two good shots just over the target, he was substituted at half-time and Tring went down to a convincing if not heavy defeat.

The start of the match resembled something like an old boys reunion. In addition to Horseman, the Tring side were managed by John Delaney, another old Blues favourite while three of their players Sean Byrne, Tracey Warren and Dave Holt had played at Chalfont St Peter with Terry Scott, a recent Wycombe signing.

It was something of a comfortable stroll for the Wanderers, who gave some of the lesser used players a game. But it was a regular, Steve Long who put Wycombe ahead after 14 minutes, following a neat exchange of headers with Steve Hardwick.

The second goal came after 29 minutes from Les Reid, a Watford Reserve team player, who finished off with a low shot after Derek Harris's low cross from the left had rebounded off a defender.

Both sides made changes in a second half, notable for the number of scoring chances Wycombe wasted. It was left to Tring defender Sean Byrne to add the third goal in the last minute with a misplaced back pass to goalkeeper Parkin.

WYCOMBE: P. Spittle, S. Hardwick, R. Davies, G. Fowles, D. Allanson (sub K. Mead 58 mins), J. Priestley, G. Mackenzie, L. Reid, S. Long, T. Scott, D. Harris.

TRING: J. Webb (sub D. Parkins 45 mins), S. Munro, M. Goodson, T. Warren, J. Delaney (sub S. Bates 45 mins), Seamus Byrne, Sean Byrne, J. Fielding, A. Horseman (Sub R. Cruickshank), D. Holt, K. Mullen.

Referee: P. Lambourne (H. Wycombe).

Half-time 2-0. **Scorers:** Wycombe — Long (14 mins), Reid (29), Seamus Byrne o.g. (90).